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In re Application of:

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For: ISOLATED MAMMALIAN MEMBRANE PROTEIN GENES;
RELATED REAGENTS

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the initial examination on the merits, please amend the
subject application as follows:

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, delete the first paragraph and insert:

HA/ -- This application is a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. §
1.53(b) of United States Application Serial No. 08/978,289, filed
November 25, 1997, which claims priority from Provisional U.S.
Patent Application Numbers 60/031,806, filed November 27, 1996,
and 60/032,767, filed December 11, 1996. --


Remarks

The specification has been amended to include priority
information. No new matter has been added.

An early and favorable examination is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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